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Public Hunting Program

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It is the **POLICY** of the Corps of Engineers to provide the public with safe, healthful and varied outdoor recreational opportunities; promote the enhancement of fish and wildlife resources; protect endangered species and their habitats; assure aesthetically and culturally pleasing surroundings; maintain an environment which supports diversity; and strive for a balance between public use and maintenance of a quality environment.

OUR NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT GOAL is to ensure the conservation, preservation, protection, and enhancement of those resources so present and future generations may use and enjoy them.

STEWARDSHIP (Management) of forest, range, wetland, and park vegetation resources is essential to achieve these goals. Lake lands are managed to provide for clean water, erosion control, wildlife, timber, aesthetics, and recreation. Habitat diversity is a cornerstone of our stewardship program.

PUBLIC HUNTING is utilized by the Corps of Engineers as a management tool to obtain our natural resource goal while providing recreational opportunities to the public. There are approximately 184,949 acres of Corps of Engineers lands and waters available to hunt.

The **CORPS PUBLIC HUNTING PROGRAM** continues to evolve based on input from the public and as the State of Texas Laws and Regulations change for their hunting program. Changes to the Corps hunting program are made in an effort to provide the best possible cost efficient public hunting opportunity while continuing to preserve our natural resources.

The **STRENGTH** of our Public Hunting Program is its **DIVERSITY**. Each hunting program is developed at the lake site in close coordination with Texas Parks and Wildlife biologists to achieve our management goals. Restrictions placed on the hunter are necessitated by reason of public health, public safety, maintenance, and conservation of our Natural Resources. For further information about hunting opportunities on Corps of Engineers property, please write or call the hunting coordinator at the lake of your choice.

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Answers to a Few Questions About the Hunting Program

1. What are the requirements to hunt on the Corps of Engineers lakes?

Hunters are required to comply with the Corps of Engineers requirements and all state and federal hunting laws. Hunters are advised to call or write to the individual Corps Lake offices for specific hunting requirements for that lake.

Residents. While hunting, persons 17 years of age or older must carry on their person: a valid State of Texas hunting license; a valid driver license or personal identification certificate issued by the Texas Department of Public Safety; and (if required) a valid Corps of Engineers Permit.

Non-residents must carry on their person: a valid State of Texas Hunting License; a valid driver license or personal identification certificate issued by the agency in their state or country of residence that is authorized to issue driver licenses or personal identification certificates; and (if required) a valid Corps of Engineers Permit.

2. What is a "valid" Corps of Engineers permit?

A Corps of Engineers hunting permit (Corps Permit) is required on many of the lakes as listed in the Lake Information Guide. "Valid" means that you are hunting the proper species, in the proper area, during the proper season and year.

3. Why do some projects issue permits and others do not?

There are 25 Corps of Engineer Lakes in the Fort Worth District located throughout Texas. Some of these lakes have entered into a hunting permit program in order to prevent overcrowding in individual hunting compartments, separate incompatible users (quail vs. deer hunters), and/or to better manage the natural resources.

4. How do I obtain a Corps of Engineers hunting permit?

Corps of Engineers hunting permits are issued at individual lake offices and are valid only at the lake where issued. Hunters are advised to call or write to Corps Lake offices to obtain hunting information, maps, and permit applications. Hunters must present proof of having taken a Hunter Education Training course and, if 18 years old or older, will be required to sign a Corps of Engineers Waiver of Liability statement. Persons age 12 -17 are eligible to obtain a permit, but can only hunt under the immediate supervision of an authorized supervising adult accompanying them at all times.

5. What are the hunter education requirements?

Corps Non-Permit Lakes: State age requirement.

Corps Permit Lakes: All hunters 12 years or older must present proof of having taken a Hunter Education Training course to be eligible for a Corps permit. Hunter education/safety certification from other states or the U.S. military is acceptable. The concealed handgun course is not acceptable, nor are the bow hunter education courses available through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and other state agencies. Hunters must complete the hunter education regardless of the type of sporting arm used or species hunted.

6. What minimum age restrictions are in effect on public hunting areas?

Corps Non-Permit Lakes: No age requirement.

Corps Permit Lakes: Hunters must be twelve years of age on projects that require a permit. All hunters must have a valid Hunter Education Training Course certificate and, if 18 years old or older, have signed the Corps of Engineers Waiver of Liability statement. Persons age 12-17 may hunt under the immediate supervision of an authorized supervising adult accompanying them at all times. Persons under the age of 12 may accompany the supervising adult, but are not allowed to hunt.

7. How much does it cost to hunt on Corps of Engineers Property.

The Corps does not charge a fee to hunt; however, at Somerville Lake there is an administration fee for a season long waterfowl blind permit.

8. Are the seasons, bag limits, application times, and time limits the same as in State Regulations?

The State of Texas sets the bag limits and seasons. However, the Corps of Engineers may further restrict any of the above in an effort to better manage our resources. Hunters are advised to call or write to the individual Corps Project offices for specific hunting requirements.

9. Can I build a blind or have a tree stand?

Tree blinds are prohibited at most lakes, however Sam Rayburn, Lake O' The Pines, Town Bluff, Waco, Whitney, and Wright Patman lakes allow non-bark penetrating portable tree stands. Free-standing blinds such as towers, platforms, natural blinds, etc., may be used and installed on Lake areas for hunting, but each blind must be completely removed from the land or water upon completion of each hunting day or as specified at individual lakes. All blinds must have the

hunters name, date of installation, address, and phone number (out of town hunters shall display a local address and phone number where you can be reached) written legibly and placed at the entry point of the blind in a conspicuous location. If proper identification is not found, the structure may be impounded and/or removed.

Natural blinds may be used by gathering loose and dead vegetation. Cutting of grass, shrubs, trees, or any other vegetation is strictly prohibited.

Temporary blinds for deer or waterfowl do not require a fee. Permanent (season long) waterfowl blinds are allowed at Somerville Lake; however, hunters must obtain a special lakeshore use permit from the Somerville Lake Office to install these blinds.

10. Are there weapons restrictions on public hunting areas?

Hunting or shooting within 600 feet of homes, parks, farm and ranch yards is prohibited. Pistols are prohibited. Hunters are allowed to carry and/or use only the following weapons and ammunition:

- a. Shotgun with rifled slug when hunting deer. Buckshot is prohibited anywhere on government property. Buckshot is prohibited in order to reduce crippling loss of deer. NOTE: Some lakes restrict the use of shotguns when hunting deer. Check with the lake office for restrictions.
- b. Shotgun with shot no larger than #4 lead when upland game bird hunting (including turkey). Note: Hunters may not possess shotgun shells containing slugs while engaged in hunts exclusively for game birds.
- c. Shotgun with non-toxic shot when hunting waterfowl.
- d. Bow and arrow with broad head hunting point when hunting turkey and all game animals, other than squirrel.
- e. Crossbows may be used when hunting deer during the general deer season, unless prohibited in the Lake Information Guide.
- f. Muzzleloading rifle, .45 caliber or larger, may be used for taking deer, turkey, or feral hogs, if stated in the Lake Information Guide.
- g. The use of rifles is prohibited at all lakes, except the use of rifles for deer hunting is allowed at Lake O' The Pines and Wright Patman.

11. Must I wear hunter orange?

Corps Non-Permit Lakes: No

Corps Permit Lakes: Yes. Hunters (and anyone accompanying the hunter) must wear at least 400 square inches of fluorescent hunter orange material (144 square inches on both chest and back) when hunting and are also required to wear some type of orange head wear. Hunters exempt from this requirement are: persons hunting deer/turkey/feral hog during the archery only season and persons hunting turkey, waterfowl, or migratory birds (except dove hunters during

concurrent hunts for quail).

12. What vehicle restrictions are in effect on Corps of Engineer Areas?

All vehicles including motorcycles, all terrain vehicles (ATV's), bicycles, automobiles, trucks, and any other vehicles are prohibited off of developed roadways. Exception: ATV permits are available at Wright Patman Lake.

Vehicles must be parked on Corps designated areas or along roadsides without blocking passage of other vehicles or blocking gate openings. Access to the interior of designated hunting areas is authorized by foot or boat only.

13. Are there any special allowances for individuals with disabilities?

Persons with permanent walking disability (that prevents walking permanently) may apply for permission to enter a hunting area other than by foot. The applicant must present a physicians certification, of that condition, to qualify for vehicle use inside a hunting area. Lake managers have the discretion to approve or deny any application. If approved, a special event permit specifying time and duration of hunting availability may be issued to the disabled person. Additionally, Lake Managers have the option to allow the use of crossbows for persons with an upper limb disability to hunt deer and turkey only during the Archery Only Open Season. An upper limb disability is defined as a permanent loss of the use of fingers, hand, or arm in a manner that renders a person incapable of using a bow.

14. What are the authorized (legal) game that may be hunted on Corps of Engineers Lands?

The only authorized game that is allowed to be taken are those game species listed in the "Legal Game" section for each lake in the Lake Information Guide. Hunting game species not listed in the information guide is prohibited, including species such as rattlesnakes, skunks, crows, English sparrows, grackles, coyotes, javelina, etc. Note: Possession of varmint calling devices, baits or lures is prohibited while hunting.

Sport chasing is allowed for raccoons, foxes and coyotes only, except where prohibited under the Lake Information Guide. Possession of a firearm, archery equipment, or any other weapon while sport chasing these animals is prohibited. Possession of calling devices, baits or lures is prohibited while sport chasing the animals.

Dogs may be used to hunt rabbit, squirrels, game birds, and migratory game birds in compliance with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department regulations.

16. May I target shoot on Corps of Engineers lands?

Shooting for practice or at targets is prohibited. Shooting of any weapon (including bows and arrows) is allowed only during authorized hunting activities.

17. May I trap animals on Corps of Engineers Lands?

Trapping is prohibited. The possession of traps, snares, baits, tranquilizers or scent lures are prohibited for use on Corps lakes.

18. Who enforces the hunting laws and regulations on Corps of Engineers lands?

State and Federal Game Wardens enforce the state and federal hunting laws respectively. The Corps of Engineers Park Rangers implement the regulations and safety requirements of the Corps of Engineers hunting program at each lake.

LAKE INFORMATION GUIDE

Aquila Lake/TPWD Area

P.O. Box 5038

Laguna Park Rural Station

Clifton, Texas 76634-5038

(817) 694-3189

County

Acreage:

Corps Permit:

Hill

4,000 acres

Not Required

Administration: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Legal Game: Contact TPWD

General: Wildlife Management and hunting on this project is licensed to Texas Parks and Wildlife as part of their Public Hunting Lands Program. For hunting information on this area please write or call Texas Parks and Wildlife at:

Public Hunting

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

4200 Smith School Road

Austin, Texas 78744

1-800-792-1112 1-512-389-4505

Bardwell Lake

4000 Observation Drive

Ennis, Texas 75119-9563

(972) 875-5711

County:

Acreage:

Corps Permit:

Ellis

2,528 acres

Yes, feral hogs only

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, waterfowl and feral hogs.

Season: From September 1 through March 31 as published in the Texas Hunting Guide for this county.

Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: No

Special Restrictions: Hunting of feral hogs permitted only west of State Highway 34 by use of archery or by shotguns with slugs. Dogs will not be used for hunting of feral hogs. Permit required

Belton Lake

3740 FM 1670

Belton, Texas 76513-0549

(254) 939-2461

County:

Acreage:

Corps Permit:

Bell/Coryell

3,900 acres

Yes, Waterfowl Only

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, and waterfowl.

Season: From September 1 through the end of goose season as published in the Texas

Hunting Guide and pamphlets for these counties.

Waterfowl Permit: A free waterfowl permit must be obtained from the lake office.

Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: No

Benbrook Lake

P.O. Box 26619

Fort Worth, Texas 76126-0619

(817) 292-2400

County:

Tarrant

Acreage:

1,400 acres

Corps Permit:

Yes

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, waterfowl, and deer.

Season: From September 1 through January 31 as published in the Texas Hunting Guide for this county.

Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: No

Special Restrictions: Archery only for deer. Computer drawing.

Canyon Lake

601 COE Road

Canyon Lake, Texas 78133-2601

(830) 964-3341

(830) 964-2215(fax)

County:

Comal

Acreage:

620

Corps Permit:

Yes

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Deer

Season: 29 September 2001 through 20 January 2002.

Special Restrictions: Archery only. Crossbows are legal during the general deer season only.

Permit required. Random drawing for permits. Proficiency test and hunter safety certification required.

Cooper Dam (Jim Chapman Lake)/TPWD Area

Rt. 3 Box 597

Sulphur Springs, Texas 75482-9745

(903) 945-2108

Counties:

Delta/Hopkins

Acreage:

9,460 acres

Corps Permit:

Not Required

Administration: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Legal Game: Contact TPWD

General: Wildlife Management and hunting on this project is Licensed to Texas Parks and Wildlife as part of their Public Hunting Lands Program. For hunting information on this area please write or call Texas Parks and Wildlife at:

Public Hunting

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department

4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744
1-800-792-1112 1-512-389-4505

Georgetown Lake

500 Cedar Breaks Road
Georgetown, Texas 78626-9551
(512) 930-5253
(512) 863-4769 (fax)

County:	Williamson
Acreage:	1,200 acres
Corps Permit:	Yes

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, waterfowl, deer, and feral hogs.

Season: From opening of Dove Season to the close of Quail Season.

Muzzleloaders: No

Special Restrictions: Archery for deer and feral hogs only. Computer drawing for deer and feral hogs permits. All hunting except Archery hunting for deer is closed during "Archery Only" season as set by TPWD. Proficiency test and hunter safety certification required for deer and feral hogs.

Granger Lake/TPWD area

3100 Granger Dam Road
Granger, Texas 76530-9712
(512) 859-2668

County:	Williamson
Acreage:	10,800 acres
Corps Permit:	Not Required

Administration: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Legal Game: Contact TPWD

General: Wildlife Management and hunting on this project is Licensed to Texas Parks and Wildlife as part of their Public Hunting Lands Program. For hunting information on this area please write or call Texas Parks and Wildlife at:

Public Hunting
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744
1-800-792-1112 1-512-389-4505

Grapevine Lake

110 Fairway Dr.
Grapevine Dr., Texas 76051-3495
(817) 481-4541
(817) 481-5244 (fax)

County:	Denton
Acreage	900 acres
Corps Permit:	Yes

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, waterfowl, feral hogs, and deer.
Season: September 1 through February 28 as published in the Texas Hunting Guide for Denton County.
Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: No
Special Restrictions: Waterfowl hunting permits on a first come first served basis beginning August 17, 2000. Computer drawing for quail, feral hogs, dove, and deer permits. Archery only for deer and feral hogs. Applications will be accepted from 15 July through 1 Dec.

Hords Creek Lake	County:	Coleman
HCR 75, Box 33	Acreage:	936 acres
Coleman, Texas 76834-9320	Corps Permit:	Closed to Hunting
(915) 625-2322		

Administration: Corps of Engineers
Legal Game: None
Season: CLOSED TO HUNTING
Special Restrictions: Permit required. Obtain permits at the Lake Headquarters office.

Joe Pool Lake	Counties:	Dallas/Tarrant/Ellis
P.O. Box 872	Acreage	4,000 acres
Cedar Hill, Texas 75106-0619	Corps Permit:	Closed to Hunting
(972) 299-2227		

Administration: Corps of Engineers
Legal Game: None.
Season: CLOSED TO HUNTING
Special Restrictions: Field trials with dogs may be authorized by special event permit. Contact the lake office for further information and permit conditions.

Lake O' The Pines	Counties:	Camp/Marion/Morris/ Harrison/Upshur
Rt. 1 Box 2282	Acreage	3,000 acres
Jefferson, Texas 75657-9780	Corps Permit:	Not Required
(903) 665-2336		

Administration: Corps of Engineers
Legal Game: Mourning dove, bobwhite quail, squirrel, rabbit, waterfowl, feral hogs, white-tailed deer, and eastern wild turkey.
Season: As published in the Texas Hunting Guide for these counties.
Muzzleloaders and Crossbows (handicap only): Yes
Special Restrictions: Rifles are also authorized for hunting. Antlerless deer may be hunted during archery season only. Feral hog hunting not allowed from May 15 through August 31.

Lavon Lake

3375 Skyview Drive
Wylie, Texas 75098-5775
(972) 442-3141

County:	Collin
Acreage:	6,500 acres
Corps Permit:	Not Required

Administration: Corps of Engineers
Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, waterfowl, and feral hog.
Muzzleloaders: No
Feral Hogs: Bow and crossbow only
Season: As published in the Texas Hunting Guide for this county.

Lewisville Lake

1801 N. Mill St.
Lewisville, Texas 75057-1821
(972) 434-1666

County:	Denton
Acreage:	8,000 acres
Corps Permit:	Yes

Administration: Corps of Engineers
Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, feral hogs, and waterfowl.
Season: September 1 through February 28 as published in the Texas Hunting Guide for this county.
Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: No
Special Restrictions: Archery only for feral hogs. Hunting permits required. In addition to the weapons restrictions on public hunting areas, a 600 foot wide buffer strip beginning at the government property line and extending toward the lake is closed to hunting to ensure the safety of adjacent property owners.

Navarro Mills Lake

Rt. 1, Box 33D
Purdon, Texas 76679-9707
(254) 578-1431

Counties:	Hill/Navarro
Acreage:	3,500 acres
Corps Permit:	Not Required

Administration: Corps of Engineers
Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, waterfowl, and feral hogs.
Season: From September 1 through February 28 as published in the Texas Hunting Guide for these counties. Squirrel only between May 1-31.
Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: No
Special Restrictions: Dogs may not be used while hunting feral hogs.

O.C. Fisher Lake/TPWD Area

3900-2 Mercedes Ave.
San Angelo, Texas 76901-2630
(915) 949-4757

County:	Tom Green
Acreage:	4,000 acres
Corps Permit:	Not Required

Administration: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Legal Game: Contact TPWD

General: Wildlife Management and hunting on this project is Licensed to Texas Parks and Wildlife. For hunting information on this area please write or call Texas Parks and Wildlife at:

San Angelo State Park
3900-2 Mercedes
San Angelo, Texas 76901-2630
Hunting Coordinator - John Stuart
1-915-949-4757

O.C. Fisher Lake/ASU Area
3900 Mercedes Ave.
San Angelo, Texas 76901-2630
(915) 949-4757

County:	Tom Green
Acreage:	4,645 acres
ASU Permit:	Yes
Fee:	Yes

Administration: Angelo State University

Legal Game: Turkey and deer.

Season: As set by Angelo State University

Special Instructions: Apply to Deer Hunt Research Project, Box 10888, ASU Station, San Angelo, TX. 76909. Hunters may call (915) 942-2027 or 2389. Hunters are chosen by public drawing.

Proctor Lake

Rt. 1, Box 71A
Comanche, Texas 76442-9210
(254) 879-2424

County:	Comanche
Acreage:	2,500 acres
Corps Permit:	Yes

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, and waterfowl.

Season: From September 1 through February 25 as published in the Texas Hunting Guide for this county.

Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: No

Special Restrictions: Permit required to hunt waterfowl in developed wetland areas.

Ray Roberts Lake/TPWD area

1801 N. Mill St.
Lewisville, Texas 75057-1821
(972) 434-1666

Counties:
Acreage:
Corps Permit:

Cooke/Denton/Grayson
11,811 acres
Not Required

Administration: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Legal Game: Contact TPWD

General: Wildlife Management and hunting on this project is leased to Texas Parks and Wildlife as part of their Public Hunting Lands Program. For hunting information on this area please write or call Texas Parks and Wildlife at:

Public Hunting

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744
1-800-792-1112 1-512-389-4505

Sam Rayburn Dam and Reservoir

Rt. 3, Box 486
Jasper, Texas 75951-9598
(409) 384-5716

Counties:

Acreage:
Corps Permit:

Angelina/Jasper/
Nacogdoches/Sabine/
San Augustine
6,000 acres
Not Required

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, waterfowl, deer, feral hogs. (Gun doe deer hunting is prohibited)

Season: As published in the Texas Hunting Guide for these counties.

Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: Yes

Special Restrictions: Antlerless deer may be taken during archery season only. Tree stands are restricted to portable non-bark penetrating stands only and must be removed after each day's hunt.

Somerville Lake

P.O. Box 549
Somerville, Texas 77879-0549
(979) 596-1622
(979) 596-1624

Counties:
Acreage:
Corps Permit:
Admin. Fee:

Burleson/Washington
3,000 acres
Not Required
Yes - for permanent
blinds

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Waterfowl.

Season: Waterfowl hunting as published in the Texas Hunting Guide for these counties. The deer hunt for the Challenged Hunter Program will be held on November 30 and December 1, 2001. Hunt applications and information may be obtained by calling the Hunt Coordinator. All applications for the 2001 hunt must be returned by November 1, 2001 to be included in

the drawing.

Duck Blind Permits: A drawing for forty duck blind locations will be held on Wednesday, September 12, 2001. The drawing will be held at the American Legion Hall on 8th Street in the city of Somerville. Tickets for the drawing will be issued from 6:00p.m. until 7:15p.m. the day of the drawing. The drawing will occur at 7:30 p.m. The cost of the permit is \$50. Only checks will be accepted as a form of payment. **No cash** will be accepted. Permittees must remove the blind by the end of February 2002, at which time \$40 of the cost of the permit will be refunded. Blind locations 1 through 17 will be closed on November 30 through December 2, 2001 (Friday through Sunday) to prevent conflicts with the Challenged Hunter Program Hunt.

Somerville Lake/TPWD area	Counties:	Burleson/Lee
Rt. 1 Box 499	Acreage:	3,180 acres
Somerville, Texas 77879-0499	Corps Permit:	Not Required
(979) 535-7763		

Administration: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Legal Game: Contact TPWD

General: Wildlife Management and hunting on this project is Leased to Texas Parks and Wildlife as part of their Public Hunting Lands Program. For hunting information on this area please write or call Texas Parks and Wildlife at:

Public Hunting
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744
1-800-792-1112 1-512-389-4505

Stillhouse Hollow Lake	Counties:	Bell
3740 FM 1670	Acreage:	4,541 acres
Belton, Texas 76513-0549	Corps Permit:	Yes, waterfowl only
(254) 939-2461		

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, and waterfowl.

Season: From September 1 through the end of goose season as published in the Texas Hunting Guide and pamphlets for this county.

Muzzleloaders and Crowsbows: No

Waterfowl permit: A free waterfowl permit must be obtained from the lake office.

Special Restrictions: State regulations prohibit hunting within 600 feet of fenced boundaries of the project, all park areas, and residential areas. State of Texas Special Regulations state, "On the land or water of Stillhouse Hollow Reservoir all hunting, except for birds by shotgun is prohibited."

Town Bluff & B.A. Steinhagen Lake
890 FM 92
Woodville, Texas 75979
(409) 429-3491

Counties: Jasper/Tyler
Acreage: 875 acres
Corps Permit: Not Required

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbits, waterfowl, deer, and feral hogs. Alligators, only in conjunction with TPWD special hunts.

Season: As published in the Texas Hunting Guide for these counties. Hunting outside of designated hunting seasons is prohibited. Hog hunting is allowed only during deer season.

Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: Yes

Town Bluff Lake/TPWD area
890 FM 92
Woodville, Texas 75979
(409) 429-3491

Counties: Jasper/Tyler
Acreage: 13,000 acres
Corps Permit: Not Required

Administration: Texas Parks and Wildlife

Legal Game: Contact TPWD

General: Wildlife Management and hunting on this project is Leased to Texas Parks and wildlife as part of their Public Hunting Lands Program. For hunting information on this area please write or call Texas Parks and Wildlife at:

Public Hunting
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
4200 Smith School Road
Austin, Texas 78744
1-800-792-1112 1-512-389-4505

Waco Lake
3801 Zoo Park Road
Waco, Texas 76708-9602
(254) 756-5359
(254) 756-3433 (fax)

County: McLennan
Acreage: 2,000 acres
Corps Permit: Yes

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, squirrel, rabbits, spring turkey, feral hogs, waterfowl, and deer.

Season: As published in the Texas Hunting Guide for this county.

Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: No

Special Conditions: Computer drawing. Applications may be obtained at the lake office or from the web site at <http://155.84.88.67/waco/>. Sport chasing is prohibited. Tree stands are restricted to portable non-bark penetrating stands only and must be removed after each day's hunt.

Whitney Lake

P.O. Box 5038
Laguna Park, Texas 76644-5038
(254) 694-3189
(254) 622-3243 (fax)

Counties:
Acreage:
Corps Permit:

Bosque/Hill/Johnson
14,000 acres
Yes, all species

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Dove, quail, squirrel, rabbit, waterfowl, turkey, feral hog, and deer.

Season: As published in the Texas Hunting Guide for this county.

Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: No

Special Restrictions: Deer hunting is by archery only. Other game may be hunted with a shotgun, but no shot larger than #4 may be used or carried. All hunters must register in advance and carry their hunter registration card while hunting. Tree stands are restricted to portable non-bark penetrating stands only and must be removed after each day's hunt.

Wright Patman

P.O. Box 1817
Texarkana, Texas 75504-1817
(903) 838-8781
(903) 832-6396 (fax)

Counties:
Acreage:
Corps Permit:

Bowie/Cass
54,358 acres
Yes, ATV permit

Administration: Corps of Engineers

Legal Game: Mourning dove, bobwhite quail, squirrel, rabbits, waterfowl, feral hog, white-tailed deer, and eastern wild turkey.

Season: As published in the Texas Hunting Guide for these counties.

Muzzleloaders and Crossbows: White-Tailed Deer and Feral Hogs only.

Special Restrictions: Rifles are authorized for hunting in most areas. Antlerless deer may be taken during archery season only. Tree Stands are restricted to portable non-bark penetrating stands only. Applications for permits to hunt the all terrain vehicle (ATV) accessible wildlife management areas (encompassing 3,700 acres) may be obtained by writing or calling the Lake Office 30 days prior to the opening of deer season. ATV rider safety certification (available at ATV dealers) is required to qualify for an ATV permit.

Disclaimer and Waiver of Liability

This liability statement allows entry upon lands owned by the U.S. Corps of Engineers for hunting. Permittee is not allowed to hunt until this statement is signed. The Corps of Engineers does not know the proficiency of the other participating hunters, and the Corps specifically does not make any warranty or representation of any type, kind or character, whatsoever, as to existing conditions upon said lands for hunting purposes. Any person entering upon such lands enters at his or her own risk, impliedly accepts such lands in the existing conditions, and recognizes that all hunting is potentially dangerous because of the use of firearms/bows by hunters of varying degrees of proficiency, and in consideration of being permitted to participate in this public hunting program, I as parent or guardian of any accompanying minor, unconditionally release and hold harmless the Corps of Engineers against and for all liability, cost, expenses, claims and damages for which the Corps might otherwise become liable by reason of any accidents, or injuries to or death of any persons, or damage to property or both, in any manner arising or resulting from, caused by, connected with or related to the presence of any such person upon such lands and premises, regardless of how, where, or when such injury, death or damage occurs even if caused by the negligence of the Corps of Engineers, its agents, servants, or employees, or due to conditions or operation on or defects in the premises. I, the Permittee, have read this release and understand all its terms. I execute it voluntarily with full knowledge of its significance.

Signature: _____
(Original signature in ink, no photocopies accepted.)

Print: _____
(last name) (first name) (middle initial)

Print: _____
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

(phone) (date)

ATTACH COPY OF HUNTER SAFETY CERTIFICATE
(do not send original)

Note to applicants: We regret that we are unable to keep the Disclaimer/Waiver of Liability forms and hunter safety certificate copies from previous years. All applicants must submit these items each year to be eligible for a permit.